

## INTELLIGENT DOCUMENT FILTERING

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a network environment that includes a plurality of nodes  
5 and that uses a markup language to create documents, a method for  
filtering the documents is provided. The method includes the  
step of, upon receiving a request from a requesting node among  
the plurality of nodes, constructing an input Document Object  
Model (DOM) based on a document corresponding to the request.  
10 The input DOM is stored. Elements of the input DOM that have  
previously been stored are identified. The input DOM is filtered  
to obtain a filtered DOM, based on at least one pre-specified  
rule being applied to the input DOM.